



# *The Commonwealth of Massachusetts*

## *Department of Industrial Accidents*

*State House, Boston 33*

WHEN REPLYING  
PLEASE QUOTE I.A.B.  
FILE NO.  
ATTENTION OF:

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CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 75

TO: ALL INSURANCE COMPANIES, AND SELF-INSURERS

IN RE: PER DIEM RATE FOR WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION  
CASES IN HOSPITALS UNDER THE JURISDICTION  
OF THE VETERANS ADMINISTRATION AND OTHER  
FEDERAL AGENCIES.

Gentlemen:

The Industrial Accident Board is informed that the per diem rate for hospitals coming under the jurisdiction of the Veterans Administration and other Federal Agencies is now \$12.25.

The following is to be noted: "The \$12.25 does not include: Expenses of transportation to and from the hospital, including meals and lodging on route, services of a fee-basis attending specialist, blood transfusions, expensive medicines, laboratory, x-ray and surgical services, including use of operating room and anesthesia."

It is not possible for the Massachusetts Department of Public Health to certify a rate for Federal hospitals. In view of the few cases involved insurers and self-insurers are requested to try to make a satisfactory adjustment with Federal agencies on bills. If the parties are not able to amicably adjust bills, they may contact the Department of Industrial Accidents.

Very truly yours,

*Edward J. Boyle*  
Secretary